UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

CLEARLINE TECHNOLOGIES LTD.,	§	
Plaintiff,	§ §	
VS.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. H-11-1420
COOPER B-LINE, INC., et al,	§ 8	
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Defendants.	§	

NOTICE REGARDING INITIAL CONFERENCE

This notice is being issued in connection with the above referenced proceeding. We are currently scheduled for an initial, or scheduling, conference. As a standard practice in this court, we ask that parties try to agree to dates and deadlines and submit them in the form of a proposed scheduling order. If the parties are able to reach an agreement, the Court will dispense with the conference. I am attaching the standard form scheduling order, which can also be downloaded from the court's website: www.txs.uscourts.gov.

In working through the schedule, please keep in mind that trial is normally scheduled within eighteen months after the case is filed in, or removed to, federal court. Dispositive motions should be filed three months prior to the trial date. In the attached proposed scheduling order, we have included specific due dates for dispositive motions and the joint pretrial order. We have also noted a trial date based on the guidelines stated above.

If you return the completed scheduling order one week prior to your scheduled hearing, the conference will be cancelled. The order should be e-mailed to my Case Manager, Stephanie Loewe at stephanie-loewe@txs.uscourts.gov. Alternatively, you can fax it to her at 713-250-5503.

SIGNED this 20th day of June, 2011.

KEITH P. ELLISON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE